

## Eddie Sleeper

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**From:** Sue Sump <sue@dietechtool.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 13, 2018 6:32 AM  
**To:** Eddie Sleeper; Rep. Tim Sneller (District 50); Rep. Donna Lasinski (District 52); Rep. Joseph Bellino, Jr. (District 17); Rep. Darrin Camilleri (District 23); Rep. Triston Cole (District 105); Rep. Scott Dianda (District 110); Rep. Brian Elder (District 96); Rep. Patrick Green (District 28); Rep. Beth Griffin (District 66); Rep. Steven Johnson (District 72); Rep. Beau LaFave (District 108); Rep. James Lower (District 70); Rep. John Reilly (District 46); Rep. Jim Tedder (District 43); Rep. Diana Farrington (District 30); Rep. LaTanya Garrett (District 7); Rep. Gary Glenn (District 98); Rep. Tom Barrett (District 71)  
**Subject:** High Energy bills

I am emailing to say that my electric bill has more than doubled since the new meters were installed. First when the meter was installed and the computer system updated I went 3 months without getting a bill. When I finally received a bill it was 2 separate bills for just my garage (Which we have nothing plugged and power off at the panel box). I spent 2 hours on the phone trying to figure out why I got 2 bills. Both for over \$75 no one could explain to me why. Or why they were both that high with no power on. Then when I asked where my house bill was they didn't know. But did tell me I owed over \$700 for it. They wouldn't put me on a payment plan. When I got that bill paid I thought my bill would go down. There is only my husband and myself living there. We both work 10 hour days. I also care for my father. So we don't get home until about 5:00 PM or later and leave home before 5:00 AM. My bill was \$220 when I have never gotten a bill over \$120. Even with my 3 children living at home.

My father had the same issue with the meter and not receiving a bill. They put him on a payment plan of \$158 a month. He lives alone. His bill last month was \$587. He was in total shock. I am handling all his bills and this really hit him hard. He owes a total of \$1,750 now. He is 73 and suffering from dementia. He receives his bills and I pay them for him. He will never be able to catch that bill up and it will continue to get higher. His bill was never that high or close. He has basic ridge running and TV and a lamp. He even shut his hot water heater off to save on his bill. He even blocked off the bedrooms and only is heating his living room, Kitchen and bathroom. He does use energy efficient heaters and has them on only when he needs them. When he is in the bathroom or in his living room. Which is how he has always heated his house.

I live in Brown City my father lives in Imlay City.

Thank you,

*Sue Sump*



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stone in your heart!"*